

## RIVER NEWS NOTES

## COCOA

The young people will have an ice cream sociable for May 1st.

Mrs. C. O. Blyth paid a flying visit to the county seat yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Baldwin, of Georgiana, passed through town on Tuesday for a visit to DeLand.

The Methodist church was prettily decorated for the Easter services by the young ladies.

Mr. Maxwell, from Bainbridge, Ga., is now in charge of the express office vice Mr. T. Scully.

Mr. W. Brooks Sams and bride reached here on Wednesday. They were met by relatives from Courtenay.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Humphries, of Indianola, left yesterday for the Thousand Islands, St. Lawrence river, where they will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aldrich leave this week for Daytona, where they will have charge of Mrs. D. P. Blodgett's handsome property during her sojourn in Europe.

The library will give a benefit recital during April by the ladies' of Miss Klebs' vocal class. We understand that some of the Lotus ladies will kindly assist.

G. L. Mandaville, of Titusville, was here Wednesday with his moving picture outfit and gave an exhibition in the opera house, which was well attended considering the unfavorable weather.

St. Marks Episcopal church was handsomely decorated for the Easter services Sunday morning and the little church was crowded. Dean Robertson gave a most entertaining sermon on the resurrection. Special music for the occasion was rendered by the choir under the supervision of Miss M. Klebs, of New York.

## 1-4 of Pound a Week

at least, is what a young baby ought to gain in weight. Does yours? If not there's something wrong with its digestion. Give it McGee's Baby Elixir and it will begin gaining at once. Cures stomach and bowel trouble, aids digestion, stops fretfulness, good for teething babies. Price 25c. and 50c. For sale by all druggists.

## EAU GALLIE

Mr. Bryce and wife have returned for the summer.

A. B. Whilden returned from Tallahassee Saturday.

Will Mather, of Titusville, spent a few days with his parents this week.

Miss Stella Thomas arrived Tuesday on a visit to Rev. Keith and wife.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet next Thursday at the home of Mrs. A. O. Andrews.

Jess Cone returned from Titusville Sunday and has accepted a position with A. O. Frink.

Irvin Hisecock and Joe Majewski, of West Palm Beach, spent a few days in town this week.

Mrs. J. R. Mathers arrived Monday from a pleasant visit with her father, at Naranja.

Mrs. Ainesworth and daughter Olive left Monday for their home in Grand Rapids, Mich.

R. P. Macy left Monday for Rockledge, where he will be at work for the next few months.

Mr. Winters and family left Monday for their northern home, after a pleasant winter spent here.

C. C. Houston and C. Hopkins have begun digging their crop of Irish potatoes from their farm at Aurora.

Mesdames C. G. Redstone and E. Spiller left Monday morning for Olean, N. Y., for a summer's visit with relatives.

An Easter egg hunt was given the members of the Kings Herald society and M. E. Sunday school pupils at Military park on Monday afternoon.

## Rheumatism

More than nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism are simply rheumatism of the muscles, due to cold or damp weather or chronic rheumatism. In such cases no internal treatment is required. The free application of Chamberlain's Liniment is all that is needed, and it is certain to give quick relief. Give it a trial and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain and soreness. Price 25 cents; large size 50 cents. Sold by Titusville Pharmacy.

## Brevard County School Board

The board of public instruction met Monday, Apr. 5th, with full board present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report for March was found correct.

The tax collector presented his list of poll taxes received during the month of March, 1909, same showing \$172.00 for 1908.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Warrants outstanding last report.	\$14,798.12
issued this meeting.	2,002.53
	16,800.65
Warrants paid in Mch.	466.96
Warrants now outstanding.	16,333.69
Total cash on hand.	51.33
Deficit in funds.	16,282.36

## ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES.

County school fund.	
Teachers' salaries.	\$1,325.00
J. R. Rouse, transp. pupils 7th mo.	75.00
J. I. Swinson, " " " "	40.00
L. P. Allen, " " " "	70.00
John Olliff, " " " "	65.00
John Kettles, " " " "	30.00
John R. Walker, salary supt. for Mch.	75.00
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John Henry, typewrtg. min. for pub.	2.00
Cocoa & Rockg. News, pub. finan. stat.	2.00
American Book Co., free books.	9.13
G. F. Duren, janitor No. 6, etc.	6.80
E. E. Macey, janitor No. 16.	7.00
R. F. Hatch, com. co. treas., quarter ending March 31st.	25.29
Indian River State bank, int.	23.21
Fee & Stewart, bankers, int.	6.69
W. A. Hart, repairs to school wagons.	5.25
S. F. Travis & Co., supplies for repairs to No. 16.	4.15
C. G. Harman, transporting pupils to Shiloh for 6 mos.	40.00
David Hunter, transporting 6 pupils to Malabar for 6 months.	100.00
Geo. M. Robbins, legal opinion.	5.00
Brevard County State bank, int.	4.82
E. B. Arnold, per diem and mileage.	17.20
G. S. Singleton, per diem and mileage.	12.20
A. J. Carter, per diem and mileage.	9.80
Total issue.	\$ 2,002.53

The superintendent stated that in the matter of a special school district tax, he had submitted some questions touching the same to Geo. M. Robbins, the board's attorney, and therewith tendered the written opinion of Mr. Robbins. The opinion follows:

Titusville, Fla., Mch. 11th, 1909.

John R. Walker, Supt. Pub. Instruction.

Dear Sir:—Replying to your communication of the 2nd, in which you ask if the whole county can be made into a special school district, I would say that in my opinion, it cannot. The constitution:—Art. 12, Sec. 10, authorizes the legislature to provide for the division of the counties into convenient school districts, the laying of a special school tax, etc. This seems to exclude the case of the entire county being erected into a school district.

I understand that the school board has under consideration the indebtedness caused by the failure of the state to "make good," on account of the recent supreme court decision. I would suggest, that instead of creating special school districts to raise funds, that a special levy be made to pay outstanding indebtedness under Sec. 2, Ch. 5606, Acts of 1907. This would have to be arranged in conjunction with the county commissioners, as there is no doubt that the school warrants constitute "county indebtedness." I do not advise this as a precedent, but because I understand that the present indebtedness is not due to extravagance or lack of foresight on the part of the school board.

Yours truly,

GEO. M. ROBBINS.

The matter was thoroughly discussed and the board decided to adopt the suggestion of the opinion.

A communication from Prof. E. E. Macey was read and laid over for future action.

## 'Gators Catch His Hogs

B. L. Griffin, of Enterprise, Fla., a correspondent of the Times-Union says:

"In your issue of March 30 I read Mr. A. V. Hisecock's letter about the dangerous alligator. Yes, he is dangerous and he gave three statements where it is known facts that they have caught two boys and one girl. I can add two more cases of singular occurrence to three Mr. Hisecock has given. I know where they have caught men. If you do not think so try one of the brutes when he is hungry.

"They are one of the worst brutes to catch hogs in the world. In one summer they caught five sows for me. One of the sows had seven little pigs and one had nine, and all of them starved to death. I can give a true statement that they catch as many as fifteen to twenty head of hogs for me every year, to say nothing of my neighbors' hogs. They also catch cows as well as hogs, and no matter how valuable your dog is the 'gator never fails to catch him if he gets a chance. They are one of the worst enemies of the fish, destroying many thousands every year.

"Instead of protecting the alligator by the law a bounty should be paid for the head of everyone that is

killed that measures twelve inches in length."

## THE CRACKER PACKERS.

Nimble Fingered Girls That Work Like Automotons.

I found girls in numbers on the packing floor, a large, low ceilinged loft three stories up in the air. In front of a girl packing "lady fingers" stood a large truck piled high with frames bristling like so many porcupines with long steel spikes or points. On each point was suspended a lady finger, chocolate iced. The girl's hands fairly flew between the frames and the box she was packing. Back and forth as tirelessly and as automatically as a machine her fingers traveled, plucking the cakes, half a dozen at a time, and packing them precisely in the box. Working steadily at this rate she could pack six five-pound boxes in an hour. If she kept up her speed, never stopping a single second, she earned 15 cents an hour. If her speed decreased she soon ceased to earn anything, because she lost her job.

Fifteen cents an hour would mean \$1.42 in the nine and a half hour day. But no girl in the factory earned that much, because time had to be sacrificed going after the cake laden trucks and hustling the frames off and on the trucks. Work of this kind was not paid for.

The cracker packers were not losing any time. The endless chain of flat pans loaded with hot crackers descending from above moved at a smart pace, and the line of girls standing on either side had to work at top speed to keep the trays clear. They grabbed both hands full of crackers and flashed them into the big wooden boxes beside them. They seldom broke a cracker or made a mistake in their methodical progress. The packers moved their arms, shoulders and spines continually. It must be splendid exercise, I reflected, only they get a good deal of it between 7 in the morning and 5 at night.

The cracker packing girl attains a higher speed than the cake packing girl, because she has a pace-maker—the machine. As fast as the machine moves she must move. She earns a cent a dozen, and she can pack a hundred dozen in a day.

Here is another significant fact. The cracker packing girl is younger than the cake packing girl, because no girl can keep up with a machine indefinitely. At the end of a certain period she loses speed and goes stale. Then she drifts out of cracker packing into some other unskilled trade. Usually she has to accept a lower wage, since her efficiency has declined. By efficiency one always means speed. — Rheta Childe Dorr in Hampton's Magazine.

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